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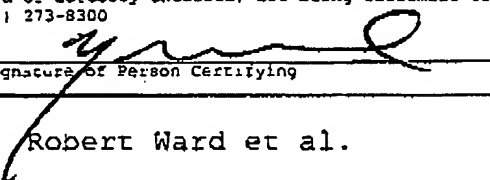
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Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b)(4), Applicants submit the art listed on the attached Form PTO-1449, and note that no fees are believed to be due in connection with this filing.

Applicants respectfully request, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.56, 1.97 and 1.98, that the art listed on the attached PTO-1449 form be considered and cited in the examination of the above-identified application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.98, a copy of this referenced art is enclosed for the

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convenience of the Examiner, other than any U.S. patents and U.S. patent application publications. Furthermore, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§1.97(g) and (h), no representation is made that this art is material to patentability of the present application or that a search has been made.

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The Examiner is requested to initial the attached form PTO-1449, as indicated. It is respectfully requested that the Examiner then return to the undersigned a copy of the initialed and completed Form PTO-1449 that indicates the enclosed referenced art has been considered in its entirety.

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